IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE, ANDHRA PRADESH
AT HYDERABAD

(Special Original Jurisdiction)

FRIDAY, THE FOURTH DAY OF FEBRUARY
TWO THOUSAND AND FIVE

PRESENT

THE HON'BLE MS JUSTICE G.ROHINI

WRIT PETITION NO : 1627 of 2005

Between:

1. Nalluri Venkateswarlu S/o Chenchaiah
   r/o Machavaram(V), naguluppalapadu (M) Prakasam District.
2. Ganta Peddanna S/o Seetaramaiah
   r/o Machavaram(V), naguluppalapadu (M) Prakasam District

... PETITIONERS

AND

1 The Chairman, Tobacco Board, Guntur, Guntur District
2 The Auction Superintendent, Tobacco Board Platfarm No. 23,
Ongole-II, Prakasam District

...RESPONDENTS

Petition under Article 226 of the constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the Affidavit filed herein the High Court may be pleased to issue a Writ, order or Direction more particularly one in the nature of Writ of Mandamus declaring the action of the respondent authorities in not considering the applications submitted by petitioners for granting license/renewing the TGBR No. 19158510 and 10158506 respectively as illegal, arbitrary in violation of Art. 14, 16 and 19(1)(g) of the Constitution of India and consequently direct the respondents to consider the petitioners' application for granting of license on par with regularization done to others as per proceedings dt 26-07-2004 as was made in Karnataka.

Counsel for the Petitioner: MR.SRINIVAS KURRA

Counsel for the Respondents: MR.S.SRINIVAS REDDY

The Court made the following:

ORDER:

Having heard the learned counsel for the petitioners

Sri Srnivas and the learned counsel appearing for the first respondent-Tobacco Board, without expressing any opinion with regard to the entitlement of the petitioners for renewal of the licenses held by them, the writ petition is disposed of with a direction to the respondents to consider the applications made by the petitioners dated 23-08-2004 and 25-08-2004 in terms of the proceedings of the Government of India dated 26-07-2004 and to pass appropriate orders in accordance with law, as expeditiously as possible, preferably within a period of three weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. No order as to costs.

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G. ROHINI, J

Dated: 04-02-2005

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ASSISTANT REGISTRAR

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SECTION OFFICER.

To

1. The Chairman,

Tobacco Board, Guntur, Guntur District.

2. The Auction Superintendent,

Tobacco Board Platfarm No.23,

Ongole-II, Prakasam District.

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